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AND THEIR USE AS DIAGNOSTICS, VACCINES AND TARGETS FOR
CHEMOTHERAPY

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PETITION TO EXTEND

Petition is hereby made to extend the life of the above-entitled application for two months from the due date of January 21, 2004, for responding to the Office Action of October 21, 2003.

An extension fee of \$420.00 is now attached in order that a Request for a divisional application may be filed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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